



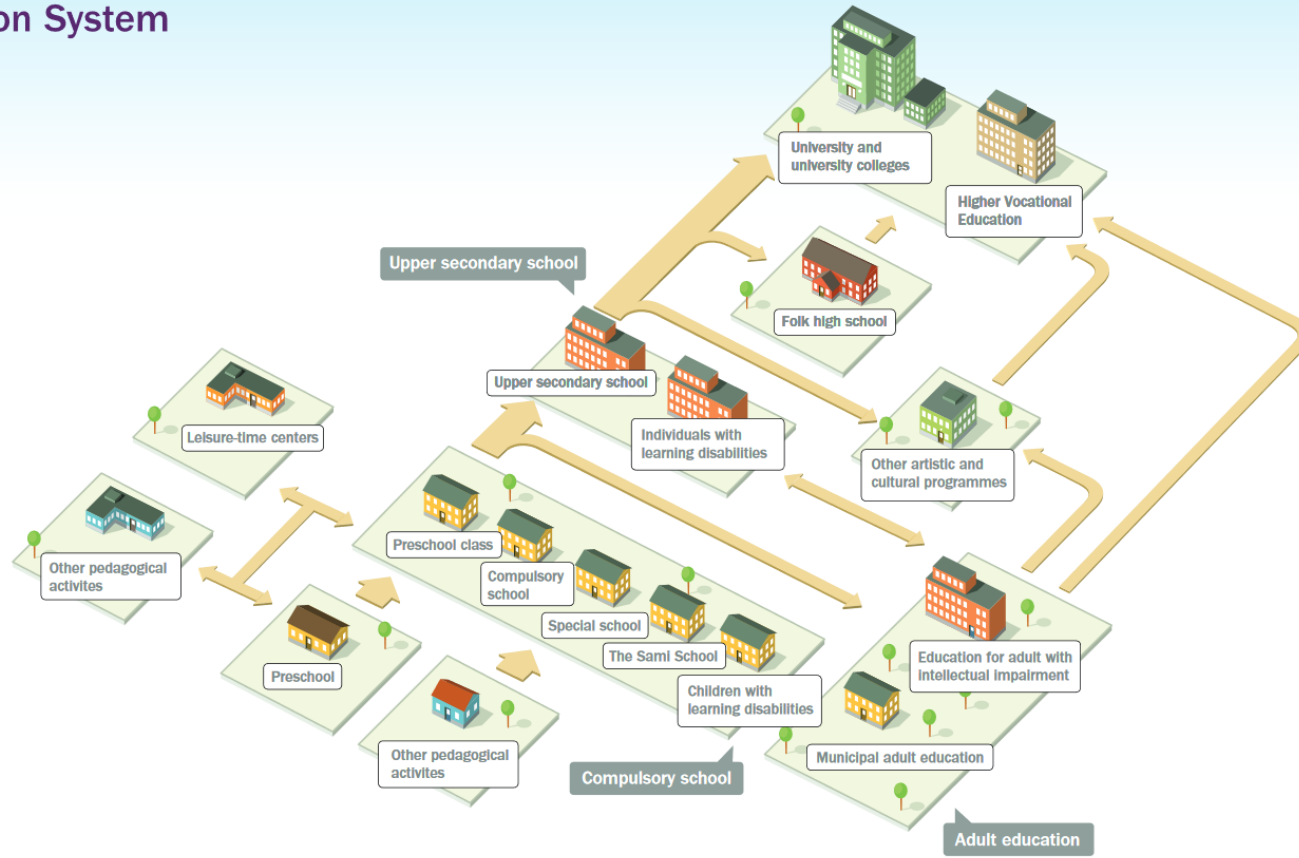
# THE SWEDISH EDUCATION SYSTEM

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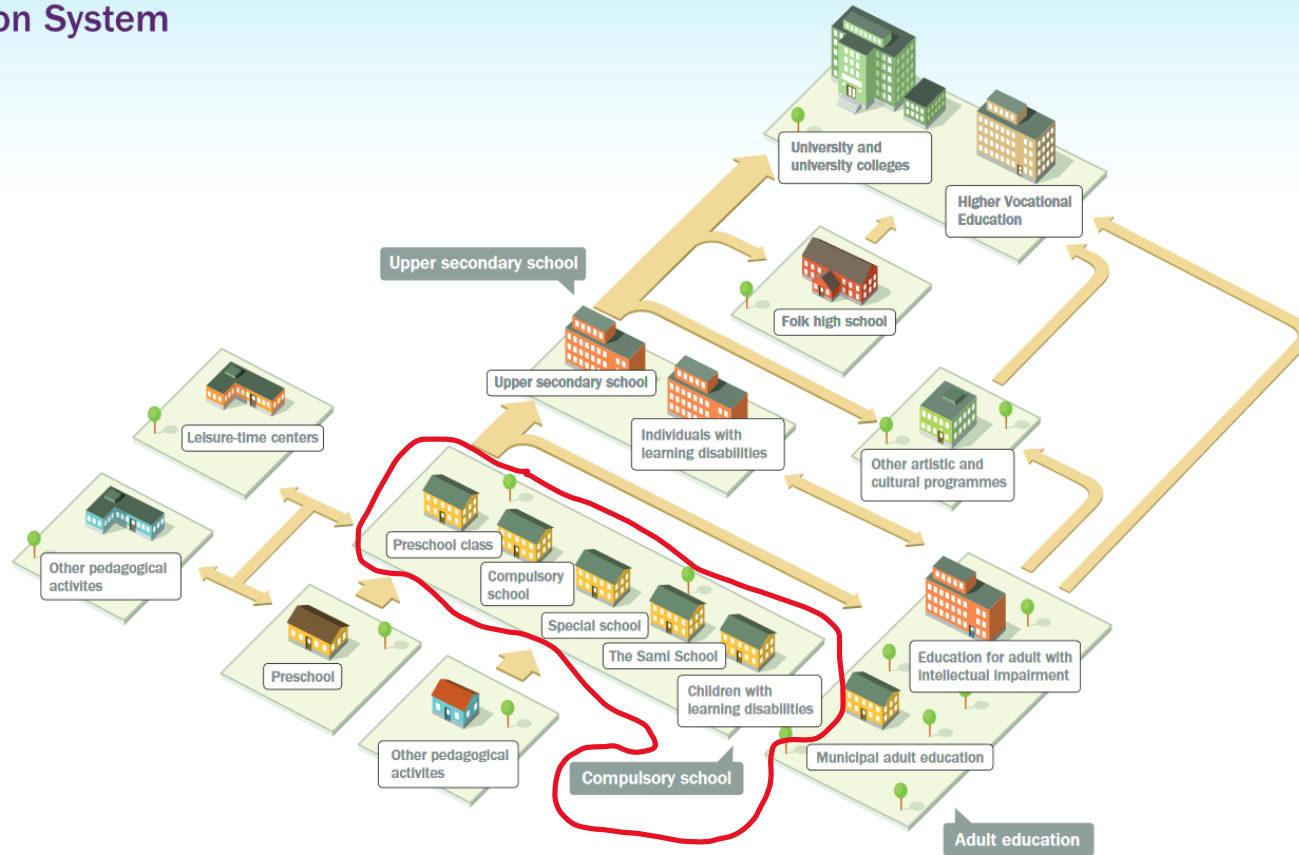


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# CONTEMPORARY EDUCATION - SOME NUMBERS

(SOURCES: SCB/UKA)

More than 3 million individuals in school/education on a daily basis in Sweden.

- School children: 522 000 in preschool (2019), 123 000 in preschool class (2020/21), 10 000 in other type of childcare (2020), 1 100 000 in compulsory school (2020/21).
- Students: 360 000 in upper secondary school (2020/21), 215 000 in Folk high school (2021), 400 000 in adult education (2020), 450 000 registered in higher education (2021), 17 000 in postgraduate training (2020).
- Teachers: 156 000 (2019)  
[excl. higher education].



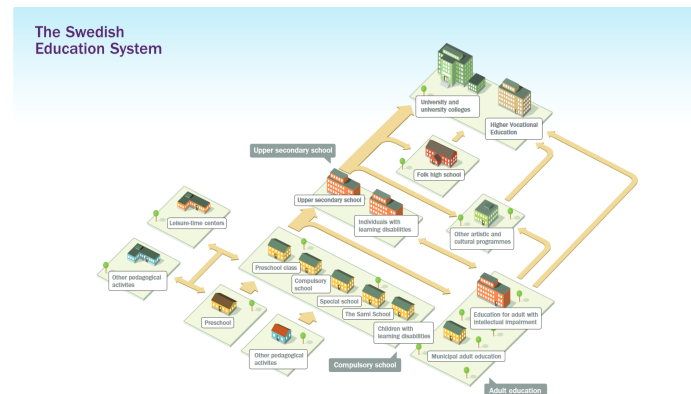
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Preschool class, [www.skolverket.se](http://www.skolverket.se)

# THE SWEDISH EDUCATION SYSTEM – A SUM-UP

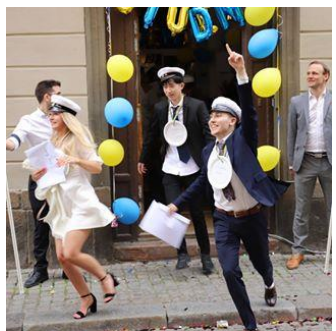
- All children have access to ‘free’ education.
- Ten years of schooling is mandatory (incl. ”preschool year”).
- Upper secondary school (gymnasiet) is optional but most young people choose to enroll.
- Education is regulated at the national level, but the municipalities decide about resource allocation and organisation.
- A large number of independent schools with public funding (charter schools).





# SOME BURNING ISSUES

- Migration and the multicultural school – how organise education as a mean of integration?
- School segregation and study success – how secure an equal education for all?
- Schooling as a private enterprise (+ the free school choice)?
- The power over schooling – state or municipalities?
- “The knowledge crises”: How deal with the downward spiral in international test?
- How organise teacher education to provide more and better prepared teachers?
- How tackle climate change and sustainability in education?
- Information and communication technology (ICT) in schools + AI!
- Schooling and supporting democratic citizenship.
- + Various regional and local issues.



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